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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated March 4, 1999, be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from June 4, 1999. As September 4, 1999 was a Saturday, and Monday was a federal holiday, the time to respond is effectively extended to September 7, 1999.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$435.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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